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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL MUSICAL

Miss Estelle R. Foley and Mr. Michael Downes were married at St. Augustine's church, yesterday, at 10:30 a. m., by Rev. Father McGroarty. The bride was attired in a rose colored traveling gown and carried a bouquet of roses. She was attended by her sister, Edith, who wore a light blue gown and carried a bouquet of pink roses. The groom was attended by Mr. John F. Keefe of Hartford. After the ceremony the bride party returned to the home of the bride where a wedding breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Downes left on the 1:50 train for New York and Atlantic City. They will be at home after May 10, at 480 Wood Avenue. They received many handsome gifts, including a case of silverware from the business associates of the groom in the office of the Bridgeport Brass Company. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Foley of 380 Wood Avenue. She is a popular and accomplished young woman. The groom is in charge of an important portion of the clerical work at the office of the Bridgeport Brass Company.

A well attended and interesting smoker was that given under the auspices of the "Sons of the Revolution" at the home of Miss Edith H. Post, G. A. R., and Franklin Bartlett Camp, S. of V., last night. The object, which was to increase the membership of the Sons of the Revolution, was successful, in that a number signified a desire to affiliate. Commander E. L. Ruggles, of Elias Howe Post, had arranged an excellent program, not the least enjoyable part of which were the remarks of H. H. Jackson, a guest who was given the honor of the evening by Dr. C. W. Roberts of Hartford, who said that the only real obligation imposed upon the members was that they should turn out on Memorial Day. The organizer who is now at work in Hartford and New Haven will be sent to Bridgeport a little later.

Despite the unfavorable weather conditions, yesterday afternoon, a number of intimate friends gathered at the home of Miss Alicia Keating, 124 West Liberty street, and in a short time the assembly had taken the form of a congratulatory affair owing to the success of the dressmaking establishment owned by Miss Keating in conjunction with Miss Agnes O'Han. An enjoyable hour was passed, in the course of which Miss O'Han spoke briefly on "Dressmaking and the Fashions." Miss Keating was then called upon and responded with a talk on the theme of "Waists." Various other talks were listened to, the young women coming in for a full share of well deserved praise. A dainty luncheon was served at 3:30.

The snowy weather failed to prevent a large attendance at the Washington Park M. E. church, last night, to listen to a fine musical program offered by the choir of the church. The program consisted of solos by Mrs. Vaughan and Messrs. Vaughan and Lewis; tenor solos, by Sidney Colbourne; solos, by Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Hulse; piano selections, by Mr. Hutchinson. Mr. MacConnell was also heard to advantage. The performers were: Mrs. Robert Douglas, soprano; Mrs. Lealla Joel Hulse, alto and director; Mr. Sidney Colbourne, tenor; Mr. I. Austin MacConnell, bass; Mr. Joseph N. Hutchinson, pianist; assisted by Mr. Leslie Vaughan, violin; Mr. Francis Lewis, flute; Mrs. Leslie Vaughan, accompanist. The ushers were: Mrs. H. A. Chaffee, Mrs. William Chaffee, Mrs. Charles Wiselich, Mrs. William Stern and Mrs. J. W. Farist. Mrs. Hulse deserves much credit for the success of the concert. The receipts of the concert, which were large, will be added to the music fund of the church.

The matinee whist given in the parish house of St. Charles' church yesterday afternoon was well attended despite the snowstorm. Mrs. C. Freeman and Mrs. F. C. Morin were the committee. A series of four whists will be held, beginning Thursday, under the supervision of Mrs. R. L. Hayden and Mrs. J. Christinger. A carpet

sweeper will be the portion of the winner of the highest score for the series. Those who took prizes yesterday were: Mrs. C. Barnard, 37; Mrs. J. Fant, 35; Mrs. A. L. Hoyt, 34; Miss E. Merril, 34; Mrs. J. Christinger, 33; Mrs. J. A. Burns, 32; Mrs. R. L. Hayden, 30; Mrs. Forestelle, 30; Mrs. Holmes, 30; Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Smith who scored 13 and 12, respectively, were each awarded a consolation prize.

Miss Annie Gillis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gillis, 1326 Stratford Avenue, is suffering with an attack of measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Crowley, Union Avenue, are visiting Mrs. Crowley's mother in Hartford.

James Donovan of Seaview Avenue, has returned from a visit to friends in New Britain.

Mrs. William Reynolds, Batnam Avenue, has returned from a visit to Newark, N. J.

Mr. Edward Riley, formerly of this city and a member of the Pequonnock Yacht club, was married in Boston, Thursday, to Miss Annie Taylor. They will reside in Lawrence, Mass.

Lawrence F. Keenan, an employee of the Challenge Cutlery Co., has gone to the Prospect Heights hospital, Brooklyn, where he will suffer a delicate operation, for the relief of a malady with which he is afflicted.

The Nonpareil Whist club surprised Miss Libbie House, at her home, 120 Newfield Avenue, Wednesday evening. Two hours of whist were enjoyed and a luncheon was served. One of the incidents of the evening was the presentation of a large bouquet of carnations to Miss House, presented by the employees of the Curling Department of the Bridgeport Hat Manufacturing Company, with which she is a book-keeper. The whist prizes were gained by Miss Nettie Stephens, Miss Libbie House, Max Kishner and George Vance. Those present were: Misses Lena De Pledge, Ethel Joy, Maude Porter, Nettie Stephens, Signe Olsen, Libbie House, Messrs. Max Kishner, Clifford Hartford, George Vance, Charles Stephens Wilbur Warner, and Horace Sanford.

Thaddeus R. MacCartie, of 271 Main street and family are spending a fortnight at Lakeville, Conn., where Mr. MacCartie is enjoying himself trout fishing. Last Tuesday he caught a string of 15 of the speckled beauties.

Mrs. John T. Sterling will preside Monday at the annual meeting of the Bridgeport Art League upon the theme of "Waists." Various other talks were listened to, the young women coming in for a full share of well deserved praise. A dainty luncheon was served at 3:30.

Miss Florence Levy, New York, editor of "The Art Manual," will address the Bridgeport Art League upon "Municipal Art," Monday.

Mrs. Mary Banberg, 487 Ordway street, celebrated her 88th birthday yesterday, and received 88 post cards, sent by her friends to remind her of the occasion. Mrs. Banberg is in good health, can read without glasses and looks much younger than one who is almost a nonagenarian.

Miss Florence Hamilton is visiting Bridgeport briefly. The well known actress owns property here. She will spend her summer in New Bedford. This winter she will appear in a play written especially for her.

The next walk in which the girls of the Public School Basketball league will participate will be a "violet" walk. Forty-eight girls participated in the tramp to Nichols, last Saturday.

At the tenth annual banquet of the Hartford Business Men's Association last night at the Hotel Garde, the Bridgeport Association was represented by President F. W. Bolander.

FIGHT AGAINST COMPULSORY VACCINATION

Committee on Public Health and Safety
Hears Arguments for Repeal of Law.

Dr. Sloc Washes a Pair of Beautiful White Hands in Vaccine Virus of His Own Make to Prove His Stuff is Harmless.

Hartford, April 30.—Physicians and laymen from all parts of Connecticut and from some other parts of the United States assembled, yesterday, before the Committee on Public Health and Safety to be heard on the bill which proposes to make it unlawful for any board of health, or other board in this state to vaccinate any child as a condition precedent to its attendance at any public or private school.

The case for the anti-vaccinationists was presented under the direction of L. W. Anderson, secretary of the Anti-Compulsory Vaccination League of Waterbury. The vaccinationists were represented by Attorney Hugh Alcorn. Dr. S. B. Munn, Waterbury, said that he began his medical career as a vaccinationist. Several unfavorable results followed in the cases of vaccinated patients and he refused to continue the practice. As health officer in Waterbury during the small pox epidemic he refused to order a general vaccination. The disease was readily controlled by quarantine he said.

Prof. M. DeMork, of Bridgeport, read 30 or 40 letters from practicing physicians all over the country, in which it was said that many deaths were caused by vaccination and many serious diseases, as syphilis and lockjaw.

Major Thomas Boudren, of Bridgeport, addressed the committee briefly in favor of the bill. A number of other persons were heard, including Dr. Edwin Sumner of Hartford.

Dr. Richard Sloc, a manufacturer of vaccine virus, was the star witness for the vaccinationists. To show that vaccine virus was "perfectly harmless," he washed his hands in a quantity of material of his own manufacture. The doctor had a pair of very white, and well kept hands, which were entirely without abrasion, so that it is not likely that he suffered vaccination. Indeed he said that he was so "full of the stuff" that it wouldn't "take" with him.

Dr. Sloc declared that the vaccine virus is made, from the inoculation of the calf with the creamy white material, taken from the sore of another calf, until it is scraped into the veins of the human patient. In order to be certain that the stuff is free from tetanus germs it is injected into mice. Portions are also injected into guinea pigs. The doctor placidly said that if his virus wouldn't kill human beings it wouldn't kill human beings. He repudiated the idea that nowadays there is any virus sold that is dangerous.

Dr. E. J. McKnight of Hartford said there is no danger from the vaccine virus and no connection between vaccination and tetanus.

Dr. E. B. Hooker, chairman of the legislative committee of the Homeopathic State Medical Society, said that as a whole there had been great benefit from vaccination. The principle should not be condemned because of occasional trouble in the past with impure vaccine and administrators who were unskillful or hasty in its use.

Attorney Alcorn in conclusion showed that the supreme court had ruled that there was no compulsory vaccination in this state.

FIRST MURDER INDICTMENT FOR RECKLESS AUTO DRIVING
New York, April 30.—William Darrah, the chauffeur who drove the machine that killed Ingaard Trimble, a thirteen year old boy, at 117th street and Morningside Avenue, Saturday last, was indicted yesterday by the Grand Jury for murder in the first degree. This is the first murder indictment to be found for a killing by reckless driving.

Reduction in Cotton
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